OH IT'S FROM ABRAHAM! IS HE SENDING ME THAT ON EARTH AS WELL THIS YEAR?
IN THE MIDDLE OF SUMMER...ITS CUSTOMARY IN JAPAN TO SEND A GIFT TO THOSE WE ARE
DOES YOUR FATHER GET HIS OFFERINGS DIRECTLY?
ABRAHAM'S GOOD HAM?
I'll put it in the fridge
HE SENDS REALLY GOOD HAM TO DAD EVERY YEAR!
SOME EVEN OFFERED THINGS SO PRECIOUS HE HAD TO REFUSE
SOMETIMES THEY SEND PRECIOUS THINGS SO IT'S HARD TO ACCEPT....
Ah, there! An empty spot!
YEAH, HE COMPLAINS ABOUT THAT SOMETIMES!
IT MUST BE HARD GETTING SO MANY GIFTS AT ONCE, RIGHT?
TOO MUCH HAM?
ACTUALLY, ABRAHAM IS A GOOD EXAMPLE
NOT EXACTLY... HE'S A VERY GOOD BUTCHER...
HE'D RATHER ALL THESE PEOPLE JUST PRAY TO HIM SINCERELY!

EEH?! ARE YOU SURE WE CAN ACCEPT THIS HAM!?
hey! what do you think you're doing, Abraham? Don't joke around, I don't want that one!
I'm giving everything...
BUT WHEN HE TRIED TO OFFER HIS SON...
MY DAD HAD TO STOP HIM
to yahwe
SAINT YOUNG MEN
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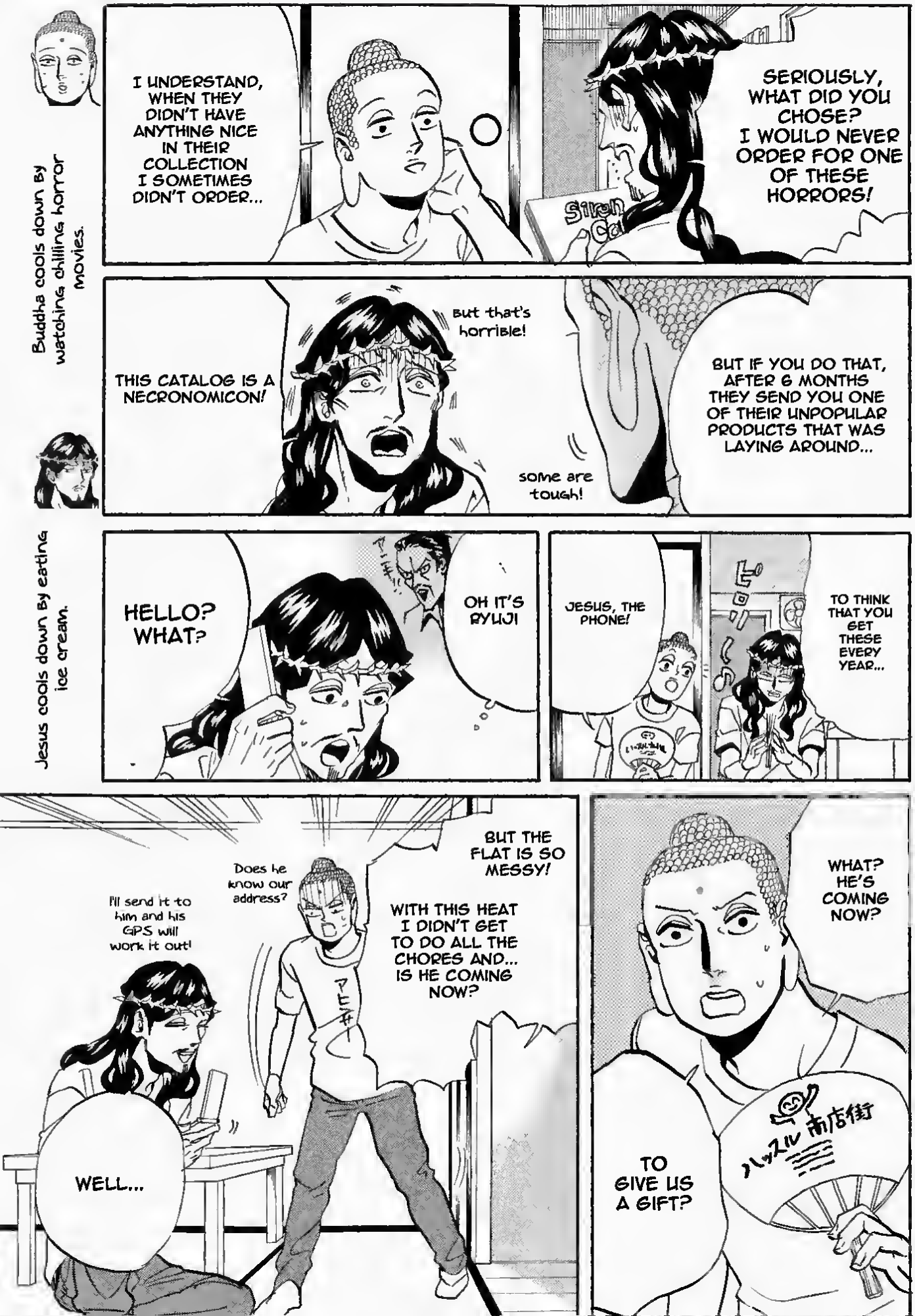
SUMMER MANNERS

HAHA NOTHING TO FEAR, IT'S MUTTON!
ISAAC IS SAFE!
I THOUGHT IT WAS JUST A BAD PUN!
HE'S SENDING MORE THAN WE CAN EAT
AT LEAST I ALSO GOT A GIFT FROM THE IMMORTALS ...
milk rice from sujahta <3
AND FROM YOUR SIDE, SUJAHTA IS SENDING US MILK RICE AGAIN...
HEAVENLY GIFTS FROM THE IMMORTALS...
WOW... NOW I'M REALLY CURIOUS
COULD THEY BE BEAUTIFUL RAINBOWS? LOVELY SONGS?
look!
WHOA, THAT SOUNDS GREAT! CAN I SEE?
THAT'S BECAUSE IT'S SOMETHING YOU ORDER FROM A CATALOG
REALLY? I DIDN'T NOTICE...
IT'S NOT ACTUALLY MATERIAL ...
THEY'RE GIFTS THAT NURTURE THE HEART...
I don't remember any delivery...
CAN YOU GET EVERYTHING IN THE CATALOG? WHAT DID YOU GET LAST YEAR?
AH BUT...

A FEW CENTURIES AGO THEY DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING INTERESTING AND I HAD TO FORCE MYSELF TO CHOOSE...
BUT THEY IMPROVED LATELY AND OFFER A LOT OF VARIETY!
~選べる試練カタログ~
Siren
Catalogue
AH...
THERE'S A "DEATH OF A LOVED ONE" PART?!
BUT IN THE END I WENT FOR...
I WASN'T SURE WHETHER TO GO FOR "AN UNEXPECTED ACCIDENT" OR "THE TOTAL LOSS OF A VITAL FUNCTION"
NO WAY!! I WOULD'VE DESTROYED THE ORDER FORM!
I'm sorry already ordered!!
DID YOU WANT TO CHOOSE WITH ME?!


I UNDERSTAND, WHEN THEY DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING NICE IN THEIR COLLECTION I SOMETIMES DIDN'T ORDER...
SERIOUSLY, WHAT DID YOU CHOSE? I WOULD NEVER ORDER FOR ONE OF THESE HORRORS!
Siren Call
Buddha cools down by watching chilling horror movies.
THIS CATALOG IS A NECRONOMICON!
but that's horrible!
some are tough!
BUT IF YOU DO THAT, AFTER 6 MONTHS THEY SEND YOU ONE OF THEIR UNPOPULAR PRODUCTS THAT WAS LAYING AROUND...
Jesus cools down by eating ice cream.
HELLO? WHAT?
OH IT'S RYUJI
JESUS, THE PHONE!
TO THINK THAT YOU GET THESE EVERY YEAR...
WELL...
I'll send it to him and his GPS will work it out!
Does he know our address?
WITH THIS HEAT I DIDN'T GET TO DO ALL THE CHORES AND... IS HE COMING NOW?
BUT THE FLAT IS SO MESSY!
TO GIVE US A GIFT?
WHAT? HE'S COMING NOW?

IT'S THE FIRST TIME A FRIEND WE MADE ON EARTH PAY US A VISIT!
And here! Sent!
IT MAKES ME HAPPY ANYWAY!
YES, SHE'S MORE LIKE BARRACK SERGEANT...
AH THERE'S MS MATSUDA OF COURSE BUT WHEN SHE COMES IT'S MORE LIKE AN OFFICIAL INSPECTION...
DON'T WORRY, HE SAID HE JUST WANTED TO STAY A BIT
AND IF WE MAKE HIM STAY TOO LONG...
SHOULD I GET SOME SNACKS?
I DON'T KNOW JAPANESE CUSTOMS WELL, I WOULDN'T WANT TO MAKE A SOCIAL FAUX PAS...
HE'S GOING TO THINK WE'RE GIVING HIM THE PRISONER'S LAST MEAL
ANYWAY YOU'RE RIGHT, IT'S A FIRST TIME! WE NEED TO DO OUR BEST!
EXACTLY!

EXACTLY! LET'S JUST OFFER HIM SOME TEA!
He'll be afraid of getting executed!
IT'S TRUE! ESPECIALLY IF WE GIVE HIM SOMETHING TOO DELICIOUS!
EVEN IF WE MAKE A SMALL MISTAKE, AS LONG AS WE ACT SINCERELY, HE'LL UNDERSTAND THAT WE ONLY WISH HIM THE BEST!
AND MANNERS AREN'T THAT BIG OF A DEAL
HELLO SECOND GENERATION BOSS! HOW CAUTIOUS!
HELLO RYUJI!
AT FIRST I THOUGHT THAT...
JUST A MINUTE, BEFORE YOU COME IN I'M JUST GOING TO...
YOU'RE RIGHT!
FRIENDSHIP IS STRONGER THAN ANY CULTURAL BORDERS RIGHT?
OF COURSE NOT! THAT'S THEPLACE HE USES TO TALK BUSINESS!
HE WOULDN'T INVITE SOMEONE LIKE ME IN HIS REAL HOUSE!
Aaa ah!
Alre-ady?!
HOW CAN A GUY LIKE HIM LIVE IN THE SLUMS?

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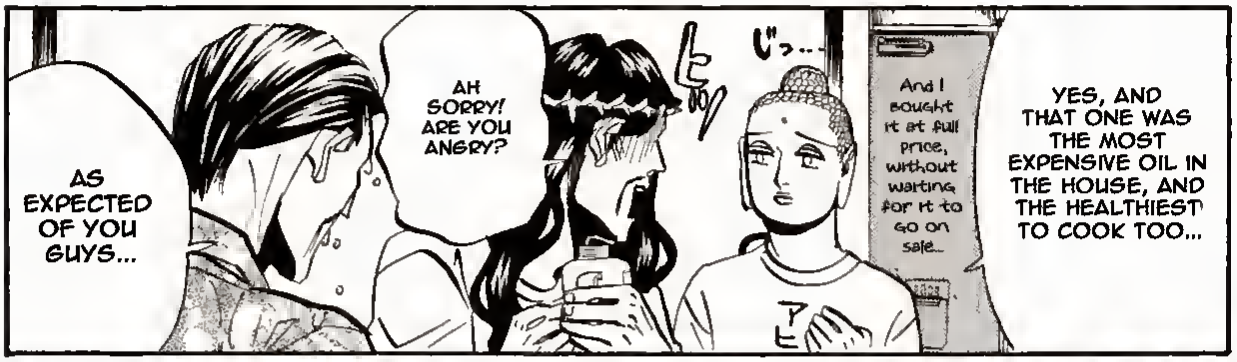
NEVER FORGET...
YOU WHO ARE ANOINTED WITH THIS BLESSED OIL, BE AT PEACE
RYUJI NEARLY HAD AN HEART ATTACK WHEN HE SAW THE STOVE AT THE ENTRANCE
IF I MESS UP...
THEY'RE BURNING ME ALIVE!
!!
THAT MY FATHER NEVER LOSES SIGHT OF YOU

Ryuji still thinks that Jesus is a yakuza clan's heir. To cool down during the hot summer, he remembers all the pitched battles he survived.

WHEN MARY-MAGDALENE BROKE THAT ALBASTER JAR OF PURE NARD FOR ME
In the middle of the meal too! Is she crazy?
Without warning? From behind?
my disciples didn't share my enthusiasm though
I STILL REMEMBER THE JOY I FELT...


AS EXPECTED OF YOU GUYS...
AH SORRY! ARE YOU ANGRY?
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And I bought it at full price, without waiting for it to go on sale...
YES, AND THAT ONE WAS THE MOST EXPENSIVE OIL IN THE HOUSE, AND THE HEALTHIEST TO COOK TOO...

HE WANTS TO CLEAN MY FEET?
WHAT? WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
HE WANTS TO CONVERT TO CHRISTIANISM ?!

YOU GAVE ME THE STRENGTH TO STOP HESITATING...
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YOU'RE SO INTENSE IN EVERYTHING YOU DO... I CAN'T COMPARE...

IT'S TIME...
TO CLEAN MY FEET OF THIS BUSINESS !

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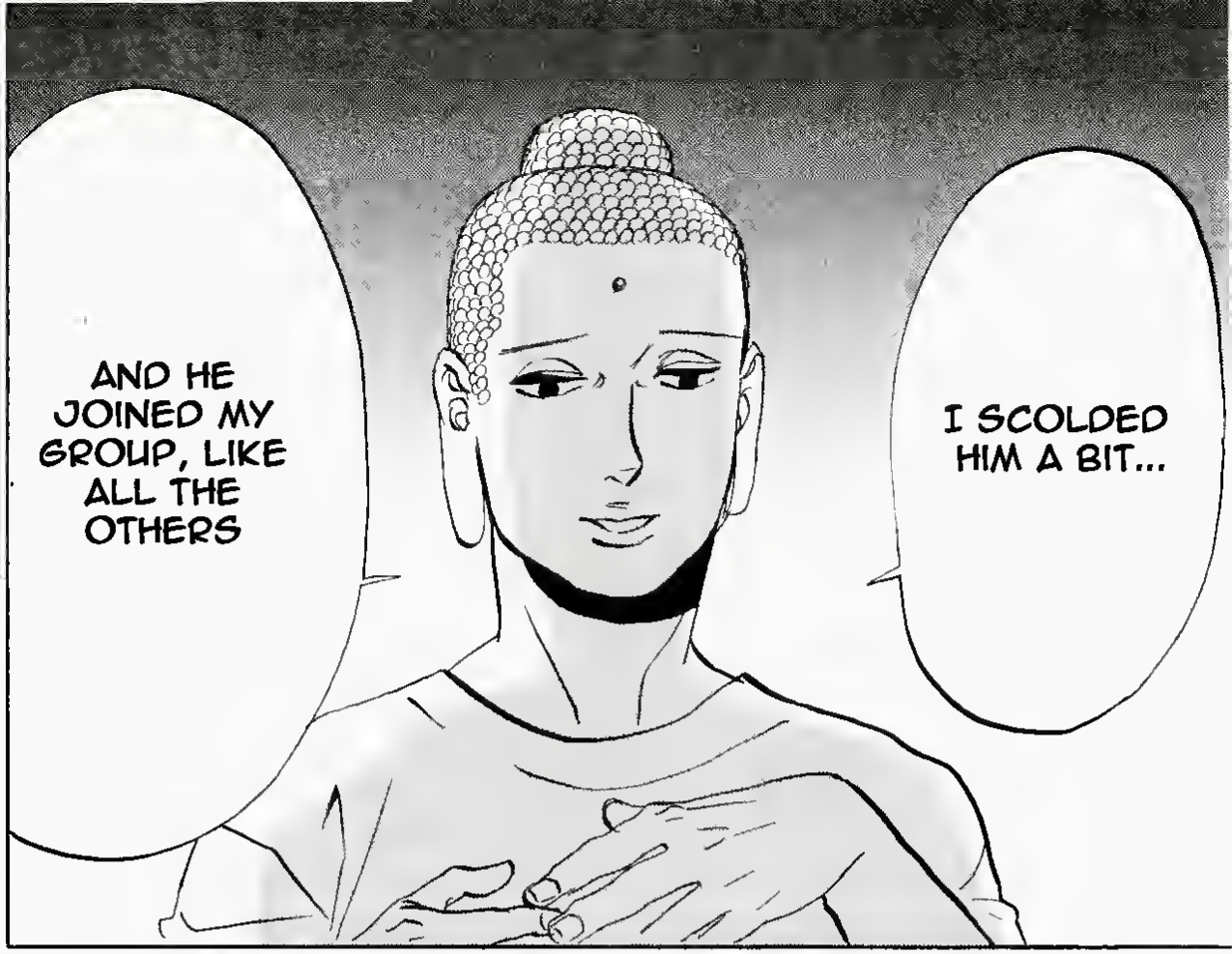
EH? WHAT FOR?
WELL...

I KNOW... THAT THE TATTOO NEEDS TO GO...
BUT...IT'S SUCH A HUGE DECISION !
AND THIS BUDDHA TATTOO!!
BUT IT'S FOR MY WIFE AND MY DAUGHTER!
IT'S NOT A WORLD EASY TO GET MY FEET CLEAN FROM
AND YOU CUT THE GUY'S FINGER?
WE HAD A SIMILAR STORY AT OUR PLACE...
NO, IT WAS THE OTHER WAY AROUND
I'M TALKING ABOUT MINE, NOT YOURS!
NO NEED TO GO THAT FAR, MY FEET AREN'T THAT HARD TO CLEAN...
I SEE... "CLEANING YOUR FEET" AS IN "LEAVING"...
OF COURSE, I'M READY TO DO WITHOUT A FEW OF MY FINGERS...

He was a handsome young man with a dark past, like a Final Fantasy protagonist
AND MADE A NECKLACE OUT OF THEM THAT HE ALWAYS WORE
IT WAS SOMEONE WHO CUT 999 FINGERS
HE WAS A BOY CALLED ANGULIMALA. A BAD TEACHER TOLD HIM HE'D REACH ENLIGHTENMENT AFTER CUTTING THE FINGER OF A THOUSAND PEOPLE
DID IT REALLY HAPPEN ?!
A NECK-LACE?!
BUT HOW DID YOU KEEP YOUR FINGER?
WELL, AS USUAL...
Whoa!
Only one left! Aaah!
INDEED, I NEARLY HAD MY FINGER CUT!
IS...
IS IT TRUE?
THESE TWO ARE ON ANOTHER LEVEL!
HOW CRAZY ...!!


AND HE JOINED MY GROUP, LIKE ALL THE OTHERS
I SCOLDED HIM A BIT...

I'LL CLEAN MY FEET OFF MY CLAN...
WHAT A RELIEF! A FINGER NECKLACE IS SUCH AN HORRIBLE IDEA!
HE WAS A GOOD BOY INSIDE!

BUDDHA'S "JOIN ME!" TECHNIQUE GOT A 100% SUCCESS RATE.
EH? WHAT..AAH! THE TATTOO ON HIS BACK GAINED EXP POINTS!
BUT YOU, I'LL FOLLOW YOU UNTIL THE END!!

T-THERE'S NOTHING WE WANT! YOU CAME TO VISIT US, WE'RE THE ONES WHO NEED TO THANK YOU!
I'LL DO EVERYTHING YOU WANT!
COME ON! TELL ME!
OH...?
T-THEN I'M ASKING YOU TO COME BY SOMETIMES SO THAT WE CAN WELCOME YOU IN OUR HOME AGAIN!
ENOUGH! YOU'RE NOT GOING TO MAKE ME GIVE UP THAT EASILY!
THINK HARDER SIDDHARTHA! IT'S NOT THE FIRST TIME IT HAPPENED!
THE MILK RICE... NO, AND THAT'S A GIFT TOO....
I NEED TO GIVE HIM SOMETHING BACK TO SAY THANKS...
THESE ARE... SWEETS FROM TORAYA!!
GIVE ME AN ORDER!
HE WAS SO HAPPY HE WORE THEM UNTIL HE DIED!
RYUJI ...
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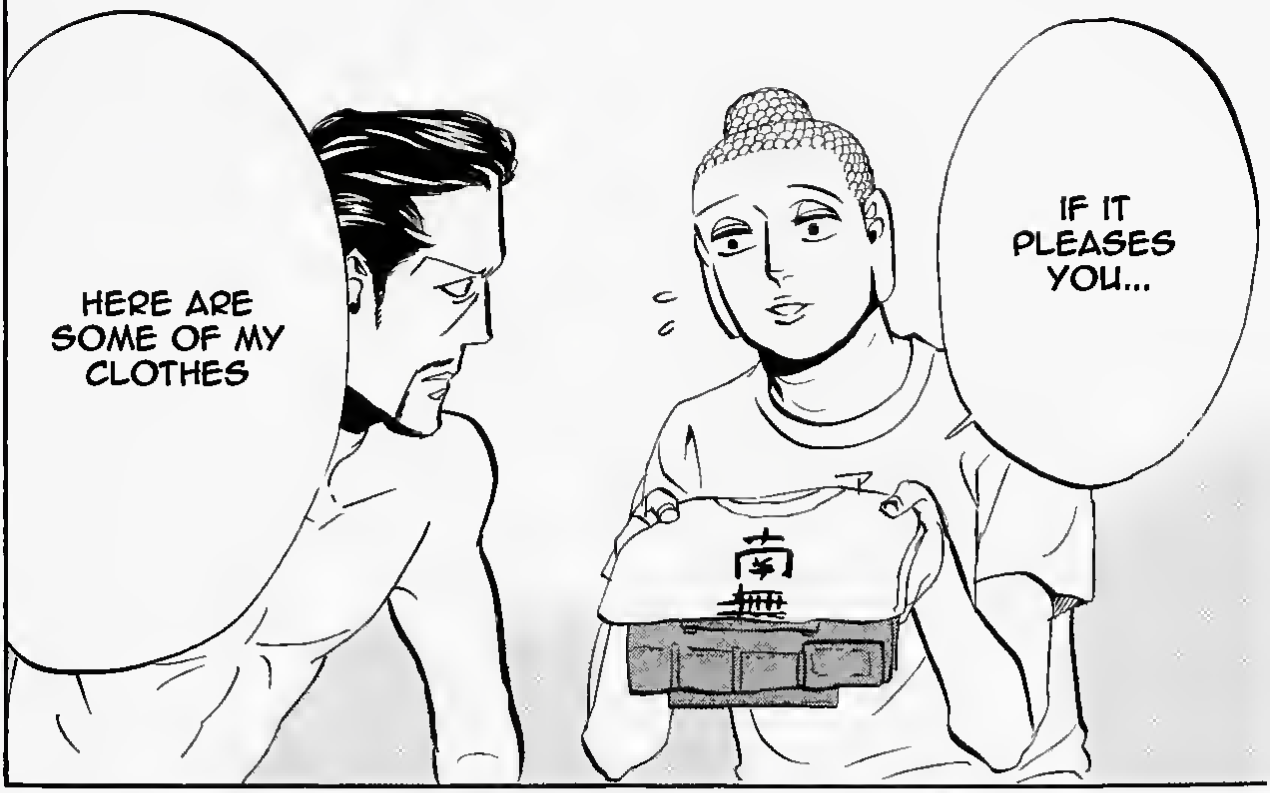
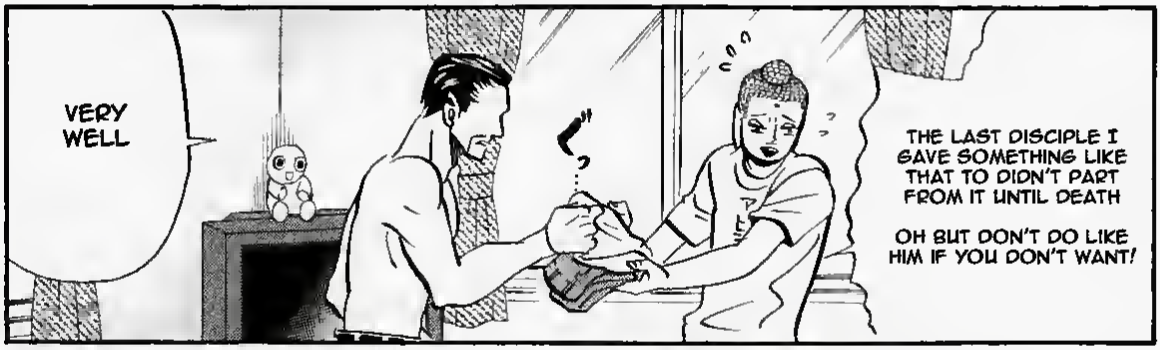
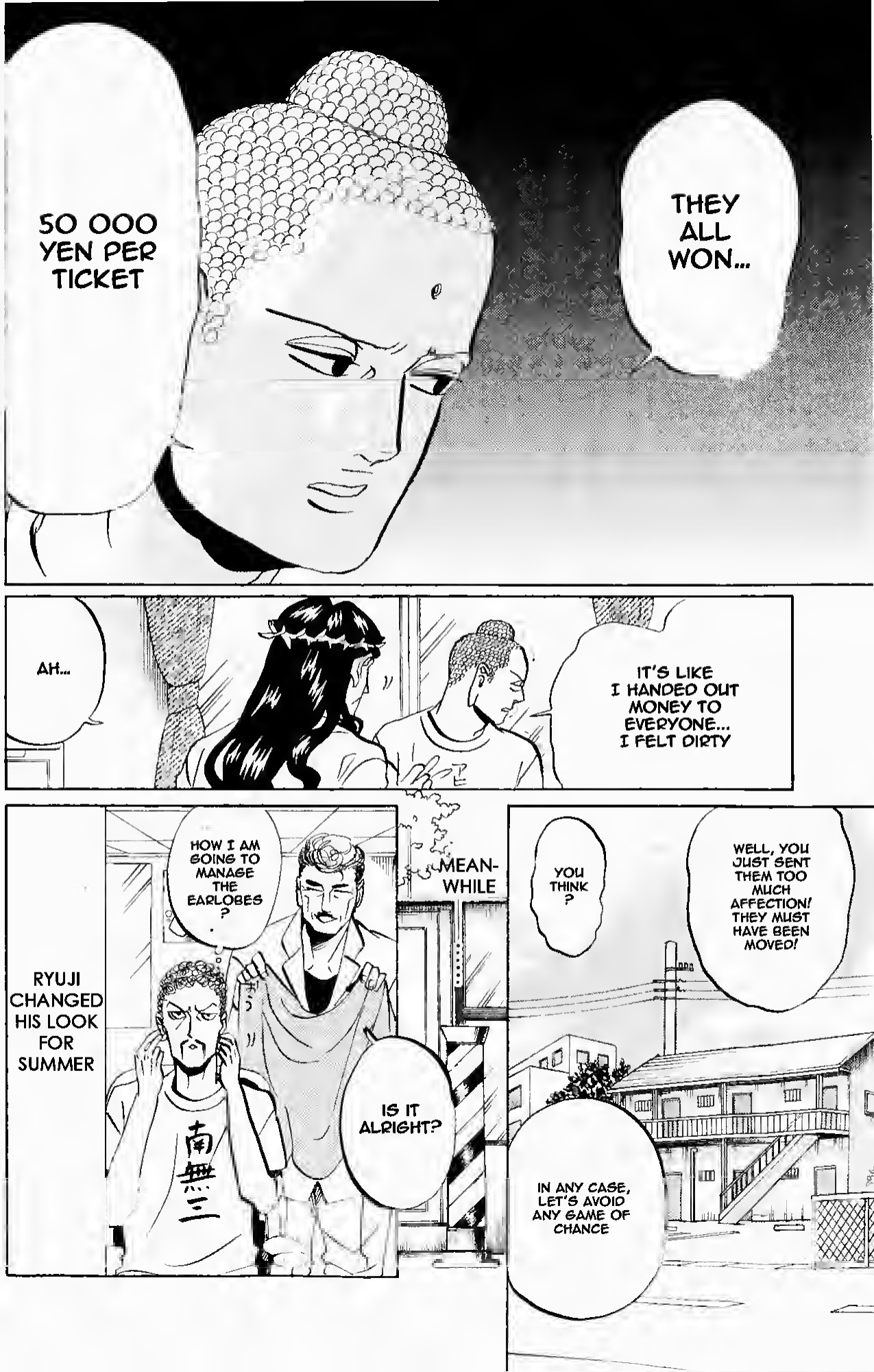
OF COURSE!
WHEN MAHAKA-SYAPA GAVE ME THESE BEAUTIFUL GIFTS!
WHAT AN EXPENSIVE GIFT! CAN WE REALLY ACCEPT THIS?




VERY WELL
THE LAST DISCIPLE I GAVE SOMETHING LIKE THAT TO DIDN'T PART FROM IT UNTIL DEATH
OH BUT DON'T DO LIKE HIM IF YOU DON'T WANT!

RYUJI RAN TO THE HAIR STYLIST TO GET A PERM DONE

BUT I THINK IT TURNED OUT OK?
WELL THEN, IT WAS OUR FIRST TIME GETTING A VISIT
I HOPE HE COMES BACK SOON!
HE LOOKED SO HAPPY HE LEFT WEARING THEM!
WHAT A GOOD IDEA TO GIVE HIM YOUR CLOTHES!
OH? SO, WERE THEY HAPPY?
HM...LAST YEAR I SENT THAT KIND OF GIFTS TOWARD THE END OF SUMMER TO THE PEOPLE DEAR TO ME...
BUT THERE'S SO MUCH PEOPLE! IF WE BEGIN IT'LL NEVER ENDS!
To show we've got manners?
DO YOU THINK WE OUGHT TO VISIT THE PEOPLE WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR TOO?
You see!!
WELL, MAYBE... BUT...
HOW ABOUT THESE LITTLE GIFT BAGS? WITH LOTTERY TICKETS ?
IT SHOWS THAT WE'RE THINKING OF THEM AND IT'S IN OUR BUDGET!
JUST A LITTLE SOMETHING TO SHOW WE DIDN'T FORGET THEM...
AND WE HAVE BARELY ENOUGH MONEY FOR OUR DAILY LIFE...
I KNOW!


50 000 YEN PER TICKET
THEY ALL WON...
AH...
IT'S LIKE I HANDED OUT MONEY TO EVERYONE... I FELT DIRTY
RYUJI CHANGED HIS LOOK FOR SUMMER
HOW I AM GOING TO MANAGE THE EARLOBES ?
IS IT ALRIGHT?
MEAN-WHILE
YOU THINK ?
WELL, YOU JUST SENT THEM TOO MUCH AFFECTION! THEY MUST HAVE BEEN MOVED!
IN ANY CASE, LET'S AVOID ANY GAME OF CHANCE

haa...
THE ONE WHERE YOU GET STUNG ON THE SAME TOE ALL SUMMER LONG
haa...
IT'S PAINFUL AND YET IT FEELS LIKE I'M NOT GAINING ANYTHING FROM IT... HOW BRILLANT!

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